The attached file contains the charter for the Central Region Science Associates approved by the Regional Director on March 11, 2003. Below is the text of the email.

I have chartered the Central Region Science Associates Team to facilitate science opportunities and foster collaboration across all USGS Disciplines. This Team has been meeting for several years in an ad-hoc manner. The charter is attached, and is intended to both scope the Team's activities and raise visibility with scientists in the Science Centers, Districts, Mapping/Data Centers, and Geology Teams. The current membership is:

Frank D'Erchia (Chair) BRD Regional Science Coordinator

Randy Olsen Regional Science Coordinator

Elly Brouwers BRD Associate Regional Biologist

Linda Britton WRD Regional Program Officer

vacant WRD Assistant Regional Program Officer

Leo House WRD Assistant Branch Chief, National Research Program

Carol Finn NMD Regional Science Coordinator

Tom DiNardo NMD Research Branch Chief, Rocky Mountain Mapping Center

Warren Day GD Acting Associate Regional Geologist

Pam Haverland (advisory) Regional Budget and Program Officer

Mike Reddy (advisory) WRD Branch Chief, National Research Program

Jim Brokaw (advisory) Acting Regional Geographic Information Officer

Please give the CR Science Associates Team your support in improving the communication between cost centers, regions, and the programs.

Tom Casadevall